

Dear Land Use Committee,

I wish to forward this wording by a Newton resident regarding my opposition to #170-16.

Documentation in opposition of #179-16

Over the past several months, you have received over 2000 signatures and heard many residents ask for lower density redevelopment of the Orr Block than is proposed by the developer. All of the concerns presented at meetings about density, school enrollment, impact on the abutting historic district, aesthetics, traffic, air quality, and aesthetics will be minimized by limiting height to 3 stories. This still allows for replacement of affordable housing.

I encourage you not to grant the request to upzone the Orr Block parcels.

Sincerely yours,

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